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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2007, reconsideration of the aboveidentified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Support for the Amendment begins on page 5 of this paper.

Request for Reconsideration begins on page 5 of this paper.